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**Utah System of Higher Education
Changes to Existing Academic Program Proposal
Cover/Signature Page - Abbreviated Template**

Institution Submitting Request: Utah State University

Current *Proposed (if applicable)*

Program Title: Master of Health Promotion

Sponsoring School, College, or Division: Emma Eccles Jones College
of Education and Human
Services

Sponsoring Academic Department(s) or Unit(s): Kinesiology and Health
Science

Classification of Instruction Program Code¹: 51.0001 6 - Digit CIP

Min/Max Credit Hours for Full Program Required: 36 / 36 Min Cr Hr / Max Cr Hr

Proposed Effective Term for Program Change²: Spring 2018

Institutional Board of Trustees' Approval Date:

Award Type: MS

Program Change Type (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name Change of Existing Program
<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Restructure with or without Consolidation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Transfer to a new academic department or unit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Suspension
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Program Discontinuation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reinstatement of Previously Suspended Program
<input type="checkbox"/>	Out of Service Area Delivery Program

Chief Academic Officer (or Designee) Signature:

I, the Chief Academic Officer or Designee, certify that all required institutional approvals have been obtained prior to submitting this request to the Office of the Commissioner.

Please type your first and last name _____ Date: _____

☐ I understand that checking this box constitutes my legal signature.

¹ For CIP code classifications, please see <http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?y=55>.

² "Proposed Effective Term" refers to term when change to program is published. **For Suspensions and Discontinuations**, "effective term" refers to the term the program will suspend admissions.

Program Change Description - Abbreviated Template

Section I: The Request

Utah State University requests approval to discontinue Master of Health Promotion effective Spring 2018. This action was approved by the institutional Board of Trustees on .

Section II: Program Proposal

Program Change Description/Rationale

Present a brief program change description. Describe the institutional procedures used to arrive at a decision for the change. Briefly indicate why such a change should be initiated. State how the institution and the USHE benefit by the change.

The Masters of Health Promotion was originally developed to replace the Plan C option within the existing MS Health & Human Movement-Health Education Specialization. This was the degree students could pursue in order to work in public health and other allied agencies in Community Health Education. Recently a Master's in Public Health (MPH) with a Health Promotion specialization was approved with the first cohort accepted for Fall 2017. This new degree will replace the existing Master of Health Promotion offered by the department.

Consistency with Institutional Mission/Institutional Impact

Explain how the action is consistent with the institution's Regent-approved mission, roles, and goals. Institutional mission and roles may be found at higheredutah.org/policies/policyr312/ . Indicate if the program will be delivered outside of designated service area; provide justification. Service areas are defined in higheredutah.org/policies/policyr315/ . Will faculty or staff structures be impacted by the proposed change?

The current degree only serves students attending the Logan campus while the new MPH degree extends graduate education throughout the State. From the Regents PolicyR312.4.1.2: Utah State University Mission Statement (2003): The mission of Utah State University is to be one of the nation's premier student-centered land grant and space grant universities by fostering the principle that academics come first; by fostering the principle that academics come first; by cultivating diversity of thought and culture; and by serving the public through learning, discovery, and engagement

Impact of Discontinuation

Indicate the statewide impact of discontinuing this program. Explain how currently admitted students may complete the program within a reasonable period of time compatible with accreditation standards either through either (1) enrollment of students at other institutions of higher education; or (2) courses being taught for a maximum of two years after discontinuation of the program or until no admitted students remain who are entitled to complete the program, whichever comes first.

It is anticipated the new MPH degree will attract at least triple (anticipate up to 15 enrolled by the 3rd year) the number of students presently enrolled (5) in the MHP degree program. New students will no longer be accepted in the existing degree after Fall 2017. Currently enrolled students may complete their degree or if they prefer switch into the new MPH program if they meet admission requirements.

Finances

What costs or savings are anticipated from this change? If new funds are required to implement the change, indicate expected sources of funds. Describe any budgetary impact on other programs or units within the institution.

No additional costs are associated with the discontinuation of the existing degree program. All graduate faculty presently teaching in the existing degree will or have been assigned to teach in the new MPH degree.